



**Resolution 2003-17**

Passed October 21, 2003

**A RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE CONSTRUCTION OF A BIG BOX RETAIL ESTABLISHMENT ON SAWMILL PARKWAY.**

**WHEREAS**, Wal-Mart Stores has announced its plans to build a 277,825 square foot store on Sawmill Parkway in southern Liberty Township;

**WHEREAS**, the City of Powell is a part of Liberty Township and not only desires to provide public input into the zoning process in Liberty Township, but also wishes to work with our Township to assist in maintaining a small town and semi-rural character for the area, and;

**WHEREAS**, the City of Powell desires that Liberty Township maintain a small town and semi-rural township flavor,

**WHEREAS**, the City of Powell believes that a 277,825 square foot store is inconsistent with the a small town and semi-rural township flavor desired by the residents of both Liberty Township and the City of Powell;

**WHEREAS**, the City of Powell desires to encourage small businesses and is concerned about the detrimental impact Wal-Mart Stores have on small businesses;

**WHEREAS**, the City of Powell is concerned about the increased amount of criminal activity that "big box" retail establishments bring to the area in which they are located, and the negative impact of that activity on our residents and on our police services; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Powell is concerned about Wal-Mart's pattern of closing existing stores, allowing those stores to remain unoccupied and building larger stores in the same general vicinity, leaving large amounts of retail space vacant.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPALITY OF POWELL, DELAWARE COUNTY, OHIO AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1: That the Powell City Council opposes the construction and operation of a Wal-Mart Store on Sawmill Parkway in southern Liberty Township.

Section 2: That this Resolution be sent to the Liberty Township Trustees and Planning and Zoning Commission.

Section 3: That it is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to passage of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of the Council and that all deliberations of this Council and any of the decision making bodies of the Municipality of Powell which resulted in such formal actions were in meetings so open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements of the Municipality of Powell, Delaware County, Ohio.

Section 4: That this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

**VOTE ON RESOLUTION 2003-17:**

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Art Schultz 10-22-03  
Art Schultz Date  
Mayor

Sue D. Ross  
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Deputy Clerk of Council

10/22/03  
Date This ordinance or resolution has been posted in  
three (3) public places as defined in ordinance  
94-11 dated 4-3-94  
on this date 10/22/03

Sue D. Ross  
Deputy Clerk of Council